

August 20, 2018

**BY ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: NOTICE OF EX PARTE**  
**GN Docket No. 17-258: *Promoting Investment in the 3550-3700 MHz Band***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 16, 2018, Courtney Neville and I of Competitive Carriers Association (“CCA”)<sup>1</sup> met with Erin McGrath, Legal Advisor, Wireless, Public Safety, and International to Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) Commissioner Michael O’Rielly to discuss the above-referenced proceeding. CCA applauds the FCC’s efforts to facilitate access to additional spectrum resources and provided tailored recommendations for the 3.5 GHz band to ensure all participants can efficiently deploy next-generation technologies, consistent with our previous advocacy in this proceeding.<sup>2</sup> CCA likewise reiterated the need to promptly conclude the FCC’s Notice of Proposed Rulemaking<sup>3</sup> in this proceeding to ensure 3.5 GHz spectrum is expeditiously available to all stakeholders.<sup>4</sup>

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Rebecca Murphy Thompson*

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EVP & General Counsel  
Competitive Carriers Association

cc (via email): Erin McGrath

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<sup>1</sup> CCA is the nation’s leading association for competitive wireless providers and stakeholders across the United States. CCA’s membership includes nearly 100 competitive wireless providers ranging from small, rural carriers serving fewer than 5,000 customers to regional and national providers serving millions of customers. CCA also represents associate members including vendors and suppliers that provide products and services throughout the mobile communications supply chain.

<sup>2</sup> See, e.g., Letter from Rebecca Murphy Thompson, EVP & General Counsel, CCA, and Scott K. Bergmann, Senior Vice President – Regulatory Affairs, CTIA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, GN Docket No. 17-258 (filed Apr. 20, 2018).

<sup>3</sup> *Promoting Investment in the 3550-3700 MHz Band*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 32 FCC Rcd 8071 (2017).

<sup>4</sup> See *supra*, note 2.